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PI NOTES, A PUBLICATION OF CIA/IMAGERY ANALYSIS DIVISION (FORMERLY PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION), HIGHLIGHTS SIGNIFICANT INTELLIGENCE ITEMS DERIVED FROM PHOTOGRAPHY, AS WELL AS CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE "PI" FIELD.

P.I. NOTES 2/66

For the period 30 May - 26 June one-hundred-fifty-one requirements were received from the following requesters:

OSI - 51	OCI - 13	CGS - 1
ORR - 50*	DDS&T - 2	OCR - 1
DD/P - 32	DD/I - 1	

*17 for the ORR/AMS program.

This is a 2.6% increase over May receipts.

Two Panels have been recently organized to provide welcome guidance to IAD regarding priorities of requirements submitted by DD/I and DD/S&T. They are known as the "Space and Offensive Missile Requirements Steering Panel" and the "Defensive Missile System Steering Panel". The former is chaired by [] of CGS, and the latter by [] also of CGS. Each consists of senior analysts from OCI, ORR and OSI; a senior PI from the Missiles-Electronics Branch of IAD; and a requirements officer from the Production Staff of IAD.

The Panels are also concerned with preparing standing requirements on major subjects, for submission to NPIC under their new reporting procedures. To date they have prepared and submitted standing requirements on Sary Shagan Missile Test Center and Tyuratam Missile Test Range, and are working on another for "Sary Shagan Related Installations".

In addition to prioritizing most of the requirements assigned to the Missiles-Electronics Branch, these Panels have cancelled eleven existing requirements in order to shift maximum IAD effort to more pressing problems.

IAD is grateful for this guidance and hopes that this trend will not be limited to the missiles-electronics field.

Jack: Perhaps we should consider the rights on IB, mainly from ORR, on industrial target. Ned

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A study, covering the period January - December 1964, was conducted to determine the promptness with which requirements are answered by IAD. It indicated that 35% are completed the same month they are received. Approximately one month later, a total of 72% are completed. At the end of three months after receipt, 85% of all requirements received are answered. Only 15% take longer than three months to complete.

Continuing analysis of [] reveals a probable airborne field artillery regiment located at Kagan (39 43N - 64 33E) in the Turkestan Military District, USSR. At the Kagan barracks area approximately 36 probable field artillery pieces are observed along with 10 support vehicles. An airfield 1-1/2 miles SE of the barracks contains 26 HOUND and 7 HOOK helicopters. The lack of support vehicles in the barracks area and the large number of helicopters indicates that the artillery unit possesses a probable airborne capability.

Twenty-five field artillery pieces are definitely identified in the barracks area on []

A preliminary study of Golden Tree [] reveals newly identified military activity in the plateau area of Sierra de los Pinales de Mayari (20 30N - 75 45W) approximately 9 nm SSW of Mayari. Three occupied 3-gun AAA sites, at least 6 large non-Soviet tents, 2 small pyramid-type tents, one circus-type tent approximately 150 ft. in diameter, 2 barracks/storage buildings, 4 large probable storage buildings, and numerous small buildings were observed. A sod landing strip approximately 3,200 x 75 ft. was also observed. One HOUND helicopter and one probable MORAVIA L-200 aircraft was observed at the strip. Numerous cargo trucks were observed in the area and along the road connecting the area with Mayari.

Aerial photography dated [] reveals no tents in the area, however, the area where the large circus-type tent was observed on [] was being cleared. At least 22 cargo trucks were observed throughout the area.

Comment: Fidel Castro's speech at the School of Art Teachers in Havana on 27 June 1965 indicated that the delegates selected to attend the Ninth World Festival of Youth and Students in Algeria would not be able to attend the conference due to recent events in that country and instead they would go to a place in Oriente and plant pine trees, "beginning with a vast plateau of impressive beauty located near the zone of Mayari, in the pine groves of Mayari".

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According to the Havana Domestic Service in Spanish, 30 June 1965 the delegation was to leave for the Mayari region on 5 July 1965 and that a proposal was adopted by the delegates to invite Fidel Castro to participate in the work.

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A study of Mission [redacted] reveals that the drilling rig previously located on Cayo Frances, Cuba (22 38N - 79 13W) has been removed. No evidence of a new location was observed. The Cayo Frangoso rig remains and the Cayo Lucas rig was cloud covered.

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A comprehensive search of Mission [redacted] for previously unreported atomic energy activities in China has been recently completed with negative results.

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[redacted] from Oak Ridge National Laboratory visited IAD on 15 July for a briefing by IAD and OSI personnel. The visit to IAD was sponsored by OSI/NED.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT:

CIA/IAD keeps a requirements man on full-time assignment to CGS to assist Headquarters' personnel in preparing requirements for PI support from either IAD or NPIC. His name is [redacted] and he may be reached on [redacted] will come to your desk to assist you.

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Copies of all Headquarters requirements for PI support from IAD are returned to Headquarters validating their acceptance and with the following notation:

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"Questions regarding the content or status of this requirement should be directed to Production Staff, CIA/IAD, extension [redacted]

and stamped as follows:

FOR SERVICE AT NIGHT, WEEKENDS,
AND HOLIDAYS CALL THE FOLLOWING:

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CIA/IAD can also be contacted during non-duty hours by calling
[redacted] This extension is monitored by the Building Duty
Officer and calls are relayed to the proper IAD personnel.

CIA/IAD is a support activity - working to support you. The PI
reports what he sees on photography using all-source material including
COMINT to aid him in his interpretation. You are encouraged to work
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